

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

Please, someone needs to look out for the "little guy"... those of us who try so hard to economize, by not using cell phones, or by only having a limited use phone for emergencies. Adding more of a tax burden on us, who have these phones only for necessities neither makes sense, nor is it fair. I know life isn't fair .. but there are some things we can control and the apportionment of taxes is one of those. People who use a service should pay for it; that's why sales taxes make sense. You spend more, you pay more

In your leadership role, I urge you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF). The Fair Share Plan will keep the USF fair, ensuring that consumers like me do not pay the same rate into the USF as big businesses, regardless of how little I may use long distance.

The Keep USF Fair Coalition submitted the Fair Share Plan to the FCC on January 31, 2005. It expands who pays into the USF so that other technologies - not just phones - pay into the system. The Fair Share Plan collects the USF using a combination numbers- and revenue-based plan. This keeps the system fair, equitable and non-discriminatory.

Under the flat fee or numbers-based plan you are considering, people like me who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. I believe it would be unfair to charge low-volume and residential customers the same fees as high-volume residential or business customers.

I urge you to keep the USF fair, and adopt the Fair Share Plan. Thank you.

cc: Marlene Dortch, Secretary

Sincerely,

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